Forest Land- Nagpur

Diversion of 87.351 ha. of forests for the Gondkhairi Underground Coal Mine project at Village-Gondkhairi, Tah. Kalmeshwar, Dist. Nagpur in favour of M/s. Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd., in the State of Maharashtra.

Government of Maharashtra Revenue and Forest Department Government Order No.: FLD- 3423/C.R.310/F-10 Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032. Date: 21.07.2025

Ref.:

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S1/PID-408247/Nagpur/23-24/2065, dt.10.10.2023.
- 2) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government letter No. FLD- 3423/C.R.310/F-10, dt.21.11.2023.
- 3) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FP/MH/MIN/QRY/408247/2022, dt. 02.01.2024.
- 4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-408247/Nagpur/1083/2024-25, dt.01.08.2024.
- 5) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter FP/MH/MIN/QRY/408247/2022, dt. 12.09.2024.
- 6) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-408247/Nagpur/364/2025-26, dt.20.05.2025.

Order:

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal for diversion of 87.351 ha. of forests for the Gondkhairi Underground Coal Mine project at Village-Gondkhairi, Tah. Kalmeshwar, Dist. Nagpur in favour of M/s. Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd., in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the State Government vide under letter reference No.2 has sent the proposal for approval of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.3, accorded 'In-principle' approval to divert the 87.351 ha. forest Land for the

above project under section 2 Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letter under reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi, vide under reference no. 5 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the 87.351 ha. of forests for the Gondkhairi Underground Coal Mine project at Village-Gondkhairi, Tah. Kalmeshwar, Dist. Nagpur in favour of M/s. Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd., in the State of Maharashtra under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.6 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 87.351 ha. consisting of Zudpi Jungle & Section 4 RF Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. M/s. Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd. Nagpur for diversion of 87.351 ha. of forests for the Gondkhairi Underground Coal Mine project at Village-Gondkhairi, Tah. Kalmeshwar, Dist. Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter dated 02.01.2024 and dated 12.09.2024 of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India (FC Division), New Delhi. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

- 1. User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India (FC Division), New Delhi, referred above. The Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
- 2. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India (FC Division), New Delhi letters dated 02.01.2024 and dated 12.09.2024, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, shall amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
- 3. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur shall report through the State Government to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India (FC Division), New Delhi as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

Schedule

Details of Forest / Revenue Land within Gondkhari Coal Block							
Tehsil	Village	Survey	Area	Area	Total	Name of	Legal Status
		No.	(Ha)	within ML (Ha)	Area (Ha)	Owner	
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	142	0.10	0.1		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	137	0.09	0.09		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	103	1.05	1.05		Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	107	1.40	1.4	7.44	Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	117	1.42	1.42	7.44	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	139	3.02	3.02		Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Gondkhairi	145	0.36	0.36		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	11	11.93	3.1		Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Karli	14	0.12	0.12	57.27	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	63	0.91	0.05	1	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	179	3.48	3.48		Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Karli	192	1.71	1.71	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	193	15.95	15.12	-	Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Karli	194	4.03	4.03	-	Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Karli	195	1.96	1.96	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	198	0.13	0.13	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	199	0.32	0.32	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	201	0.41	0.41	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	202	3.90	3.9	-	Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Kalmeshwar	Karli	204	0.050	0.05	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	205	0.04	0.04	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	206	0.43	0.43	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	207	0.04	0.04	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	208	0.06	0.06	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	220	0.31	0.31	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	221	0.92	0.92	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	229	2.81	2.81	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	230	1.35	1.35	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	234	0.11	0.11		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	239	1.12	1.06	-	Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	240	5.69	5.69		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	241	7.26	7.26		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	266	1.21	1.21		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	268	1.22	1.22		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	269	0.10	0.1		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
Kalmeshwar	Karli	275	0.28	0.28		Revenue Dept	Zudpi Jungle
	Waddhamana		4.65	4.65		Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
	Waddhamana	90	31.19	17.99	22.6384	Forest Dept	Section 4 RF
Total Forest Area				87.351	87.351		
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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:

- 1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
- 3. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
- 4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
- 5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
- 6. APCCF& Chief Executive Officer (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
- 7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
- 8. Collector, Nagpur
- 9. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Nagpur.
- 10. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Nagpur.
- 11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur.
- 12. M/s. Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd., Nagpur.
- 13. Select File, Desk F-10.
 - I. Collector- Nagpur, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Nagpur and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.
 - II. M/s. Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd., Nagpur, is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc., along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Nagpur, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur.
- III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.